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AWARD WINNING "SOLDIERS OF CONSCIENCE" TO BE SCREENED AT THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

SAN DIEGO-The San Diego Public Library and Media Arts Center San Diego will host a film showing of Gary Weimberg and Catherine Ryan's *Soldiers of Conscience* at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 19th, in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is FREE to the public.

When is it right to kill? In the midst of war, is it right to refuse? Eight U.S. soldiers, some who have killed and some who said no, reveal their inner moral dilemmas in *Soldiers of Conscience*. Made with official permission of the U.S. Army, the film transcends politics to explore the tension between spiritual values and military orders. *Soldiers of Conscience* follows the stories of both conscientious objectors and those who criticize them. Through this clash of views, the film discovers a surprising common ground: All soldiers are "soldiers of conscience," torn between the demands of duty and the call of conscience.

Since 1988, PBS' POV series has brought the best of independent point-of-view documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America's most innovative documentary filmmakers to build new communities in conversation about today's most pressing social issues. *Soldiers of Conscience* will air locally on Sunday, October 26 at 10:30 p.m.

Free parking is available at the lot adjacent to the Library, on Broadway and 8th, courtesy of Five Star Parking. In addition, parking meters are not enforced on Sundays, and other pay parking lots are available in the vicinity of the library.

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library's Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's catalog online at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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